



2022 FALL YOUTH DEFENDER CERTIFICATION TRAINING
Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino
Biloxi, Mississippi
September 22-23, 2022



AGENDA

Thursday, September 22, 2022

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Registration

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Welcome

*[Andre' de Gruy](#), State Public Defender
[Erin E. Briggs](#), Training Director
[Brenda C. Locke](#), Youth Defense Resource Counsel
Office of State Public Defender
Jackson, Mississippi*

**2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(2.0 hrs.) Closing Not Important – Wrong Again!**

*[Judge Sharon W. Sigalas](#)
Retired, Jackson County Youth Court
Gautier, Mississippi*

4:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m. [Evaluations](#) & Break

**4:20 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.
(1 hr.) Resource Spotlights: Dispositional Alternatives
for Delinquency and CHINS Cases**

Moderator: *[Brenda C. Locke](#),
OSPD Youth Defense Resource Counsel*

Spotlight Mississippi Youth Challenge Academy
*[SFC "Ret." Rodney McDonald](#), RPM Coordinator
Mississippi Youth Challenge Academy
Camp Shelby, Mississippi*

Spotlight **Adolescent Offender Program**
*[Dwayne Nelson](#), Juvenile Mental Health Coordinator
Mississippi Department of Mental Health
Jackson, Mississippi*

Spotlight **County Resource Guides**
*[Eileen Anderson](#), Community Services Director
Mississippi Department of Human Services
Division of Youth Services
Jackson, Mississippi*

5:20 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **[Evaluations](#) & Break**

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
(1.0 hr.) **Round Table at the Dinner Table (*Working Dinner*)**
[Evaluations](#)

Friday, September 23, 2022

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast**

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
(2 hrs.) **Evidence Blocking: Hearsay & Objections**
*[Hector Linares](#), Associate Clinical Professor
Coordinator of Skills and Experiential Learning
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law
New Orleans, Louisiana*

10:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. **[Evaluations](#) & Hotel Check Out**

10:55 a.m. – 11:55 p.m.
(1 hr.) **Back to Basics: Role of the Youth Defender and Other Court Personnel (*Ethics*)**
*[Brenda C. Locke](#), Youth Defense Resource Counsel
Mississippi Office of State Public Defender
Franklinton, Louisiana*

12:00 p.m. – 12:05 p.m. **[Evaluations](#) & Adjournment**